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Policemen Patrol Halls

by Shelly Kleinman

The generations-old saying advises, "Think of a policeman as a friend." This year Shakerites can actively evaluate these words of wisdom. Four off-duty policemen are now officially on the high school staff payroll. The administration views these additions as being necessary for the welfare of the students and for the satisfaction of the community. Assistant Principal Kenneth Caldwell explains, "In an era where we are experiencing various social disturbances and narcotics, the community expects that its children are protected and are safe to be here."

The policemen's duties are three-fold. They maintain parking lot security, enforce trespassing ordinances, and patrol the hallways. The four men, Gary Johnston, Jim Eden, Louis Marducci, and Tim Reed work in shifts, seven hours each day, five days each week.

Because of the minimal amount of parking facilities, and the massive combined use by staff, visiting officials, P.T.A. members, and parents, the north and south parking lots cannot accommodate students. Originally when students violated this restriction Shaker hired a private investigator to patrol the lots. During the past three years this violation has become quite prevalent and parking lot vandalism has been on the rise. Therefore, the administration hired off-duty policemen to take over the job. The patrolmen proved more effective because where a privately hired man had to call the police to tow away cars, the off-duty officers already have the needed authority. This year the hours of patrolling have been lengthened. When discovering an unauthorized vehicle, the patrolman issues a warning. At the same time he records the license number. If a second violation occurs, the car is towed away.

Last April Dr. William Greenham, Deans Robert Mohny and Charles Zimmerman, Assistant Principal Albert Senft and Kenneth Caldwell, and Patrolman Johnston discussed new rules concerning hallway order. Patrolman Johnston participated in Mr. Mohny's and Mr. Zim-

merman's hall patrolling and agreed with the administration that the loitering, fighting, yelling, running, and congregating in the hallways and stairways was out of hand. He also realized that the administration could not expect the teachers to assume the responsibility. At that time the staff rotated in supervising the halls during their free periods. Not only did the teachers consider this beyond their call to duty and a waste of conference and lesson-planning time, but for the most part they proved ineffective. As Mr. Caldwell remarked, "A teacher is not paid to be a babysitter." Likewise students who respect a teacher in the classroom might resent him in the hallways. Therefore, the administration extended the duties of the off-duty officers to maintain hall order. The administration also drafted new rules which the patrolmen enforce. The officers make sure that no students leave campus other than during their lunch period or after their final class. They do not allow loitering in the halls or in other teaching areas during any period in the day, and starting very soon, chronic violators will be assigned to supervised study halls. Teachers retain the job of cafeteria duty and supervised study only.

The third aspect of the patrolmen's job consists of enforcing the trespassing ordinance. Unauthorized visitors are subject to arrest. Without an available policeman such enforcement evolved into a communications problem. Patrolman Johnston considers trespassers in a high school "up to no good. If they were, they would have made prior arrangements." So far this fall he has recorded the names of over thirty trespassers, and warns if caught again they will be prosecuted.

Although the patrolmen were not hired as narcotics agents they will investigate the situation. They consider it their duty to turn in any student found with drugs. They have thus far been extremely loose with enforcement of the smoking rules, however, the school plans to start suspending students for infractions of these violations, too. To quote once more Mr. Cald-

well: "Some people have a hang-up about policemen. Actually they do not effect ninety per cent of us. Those who want to learn can do so in perfect harmony. Unfortunately, we do have the problems, and therefore the police are here to help us — in a positive way." The officers only intend to do their jobs.

They do not look to hurt, only to help maintain order in the high school. Thus, follow the advice of the aphorism and think of a policeman, at least the ones at Shaker, as friends.

Shaker Study Has "Heart"

by Barbara Lowe

The average human heart beats over two and a half billion times in a single lifetime. But the strenuous labor of the heart can not be taken for granted, for too often it is cut short. Few people realize that a fifth of all deaths in the United States are caused by some form of heart disease.

For years, medical experts have wondered what roles teenage

lifestyles play in producing heart attacks in later years. This summer, a study was undertaken in Shaker to research a method of preventive medicine against coronary attacks. The project, led by Dr. Herman Hellerstein, associate professor at Case Western Reserve Medical School, and Dr. Howard Hopwood, physician to the Shaker School Board, hopes to uncover the importance of the American diet of whole milk, fatty meats and eggs on cardiovascular disease. Egg yolks are particularly undesirable because of their high cholesterol count. Can too many of them for breakfast cause middle-aged arteriosclerosis? Are factors such as smoking, drinking, overweight, and nervous tension equally responsible? From their work, Dr. Hellerstein and Dr. Hopwood hope to answer these relevant questions of life and death.

Funded by a grant from the American Heart Association and the Edgar H. Weil Research Fund, Dr. Hellerstein and his assistants set up their experiments on June 27 in the high school clinic. Student volunteers were first weighed and measured, while their family history of heart disease was recorded. An electro-cardiogram recorded each individual's heart action on a roll of paper and a small reel of tape. A blood pressure test came next, followed by a "pinch" test. This new test is taken with a metal U-shaped instrument which squeezes the skin to determine its percentage of body fat. A hand-grip test to measure strength and a blood sample to measure cholesterol and sugar levels completed the medical portion of the examination. Lastly, a questionnaire asked students about their drinking and nutritional habits, as well as their feelings about school and the competition it invokes.

An analysis of each patient will be sent to his or her doctor for "appropriate preventive measures" as indicated by each one's life patterns. Although the medical examinations of students was completed in August, the most important results from the summer's experiments will not be revealed until later years, when the doctors perform a follow-up study of the students and their conditions. By locating and advising teens whose lifestyles predict future heart troubles, doctors can take the necessary steps towards establishing the first program of "preventive medicine" against heart disease.



Shaker's National Merit Semifinalists get together for some after-school fun.

Seniors Merit Praise

by Nancy Neustadt

The National Merit Scholarship Corporation in Chicago has announced the names of the semifinalists in the scholarship competition. Eighteen Shaker seniors are part of the group which constitutes about half of one per cent of high school seniors in the United States.

Semifinalists are selected on the basis of their performance on the PSAT-NMSQT. For the third year, the National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test has been combined with the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test forming the PSAT-NMSQT.

The eighteen students must now qualify as finalists to be considered for Merit Scholarships. Another test will be taken, and these semifinalists, if they have received endorsement of their schools and provided evidence of their academic and other accomplishments, may qualify as finalists. These finalists, announced in February, will be considered for Merit Scholarships.

On April 11, winners of standard four-year Merit Scholarships financed by businesses and corporations will be announced. Winners of one-time National Merit 1,000 Scholarships will be announced on April 25, and winners of four-year college-sponsored scholarships will be announced on May 2.

Shaker High semifinalists for 1973-74 are: Edmund Algeo, Todd Arnold, Douglas Cairns, Margaret Carter, David Duchesneau, Gary Freeman, Joel Genuth, Catherine Hall, Julie Hansen, Steven Hirsch, John Hoerner, Melinda Kassen, Bruce Kaufman, Michael London, Marisa Manley, Mark Pogue, Ann Thomas, and Peter Tinker.

Sophomores Join Council

by Patty Fishe

Despite the wide-spread allegation that student apathy extends to school elections, the recent sophomore student council voting attracted an exceptionally high number of voters. In the primary election, held Tuesday, September 18, 450 of the 600 potential voters, or 75 per cent of the sophomore class, journeyed to the activity office to cast their ballot. The surprising amount of interest in this election is remarkable in comparison to the 20 per cent and 30 per cent voting participation characteristic in last year's voting. Because this unusual turn-out was not expected, the final election had previously been scheduled to be conducted in the homerooms, where the entire class voted on Thursday, September 20.

The sophomores voted into council out of the 21 possible candidates were Francine DeBenedito, Judy Blackwell, Jeff London, Carol Martin, Eric Russell and Derek Watkins, who emerged as the winners of what was described as a "close race." Coincidentally, three of these newly elected council members attended Byron and three went to Woodbury, and feminists will be glad to see that half the representatives are girls. The Civics Committee runs all school elections under the chairmanship of senior Tom Bombelles, and the credentials of this year's representatives are summed up by committee member Mike Holdstein's statement that the representatives are "a diverse and well-qualified group."

Horizontal Egress Awaits Council Decision

by Steve Dalton and Zachary Green

Early in this school year, as in the past, the horizontal egress was closed. Unlike in the past, the school administration had no intention of opening it, due to gross vandalism that had occurred and no means of adequately supervising the area. Judy Butler and Zachary Green, along with the help of the Rejuvenation Committee, wrote up a proposal dealing with the re-opening and maintenance of the horizontal egress.

The proposal states that for the following reasons the egress should be open: The social room has been closed, the library and room 224 require silence, cold weather will inhibit going outdoors and loitering in any form is prohibited in the halls. The cafeteria student center would be the only gathering spot; therefore, there is a need to open the egress as an alternate gathering place.

There will be two Student Council delegated supervisors

each period every school day at the egress. Their job will be to promote school policy, work to prevent vandalism, and maintain the general area.

A few changes are planned for the purpose of enriching the area. There will be graffiti boards, bulletin boards, art work and garbage receptacles put in the area. If this proves to be successful, some carpeting, flowers and other furniture will be added. The trash barrels will hopefully minimize the amount of refuse on the floor and the graffiti board will be hung to deter writing on the walls. If students using the egress breach school policy in one way or another, the egress will close indefinitely.

The student council feels that the need for the egress as a student gathering place is self-evident and have a great deal of confidence in the success of the proposal.

Council Amends Constitution

by Jody Jacobowitz

This year the students of Shaker High School will notice a considerable improvement in the Student Council. The reason? A new constitution was written which will allow Council to be more effective. The old Constitution was too restricting, some vital sections were omitted, and mainly it was outmoded.

In previous years, Council was not following the laws it was governed by because they no longer were applicable. With the advent of the new Constitution, it is going to be followed exactly. To make sure it is carried out in full, a Rules committee has been established. This committee will consist of three Council members, three non-Council members, and a non-voting chairman.

Andy Hoerner, assisted by a committee, was responsible for the rewriting of the Constitution. One interesting change dealt with the time Council was to meet. The old Constitution stated that Council should meet one period everyday. This rule was never obeyed because of its absurdity. Council now meets weekly according to the new Constitution.

An important addition is that of Section XIII-Committees. This section explains clearly what the various committees are and describes their purpose. But, perhaps the most significant change is Council's new freedom to express ideas without fear of administrative action. In prior years, the Principal had complete veto power over the Council. The Principal's power over Council is now limited. Because of the permissiveness of the new Constitution, Student Council should prove to function more efficiently and effectively than it has in the past.

Light the Torch; Give United

by Howard Stone

Traditionally, the United Torch Drive has benefited more needy people and organizations than anything of its kind. Last year, the United Torch Drive raised a record-breaking \$21.5 million from Greater Cleveland donors. This marked the first time in six years that the goal was reached. However, this does not mean that United Torch could not have raised even more money than it did. The sad fact is that last year, Shaker students averaged a mere 26 cents per donation. This outrageous statistic indicates that either the students were not given enough opportunities to make donations or that they were not fully aware of the need for donations, or possibly both.

Several years ago, the students at Shaker had homeroom period every day. This lent itself nicely to the annual Torch drives, because homerooms functioned like units and each would compete with the others to determine which homeroom was the most generous. Recently, however, with the homerooms meeting far less frequently, the total school donation has steadily dropped. This year in particular, students had only one chance to make contributions during their homeroom period. If they forget their money at that time, it is up to them to bring in their money before October 30, the final day of the drive. This is not to suggest that we should have homeroom every day, but it is clear that the students donate more money when they have more chances to do so.

United Torch Drive services help everybody. The only requirement to receive aid is human need. Thus, dollars contributed during last year's United Torch Drive provided more than 1,000 children with day care, helped with the drug problem through approved treatment methods, provided counseling services for more than 37,000, assisted more than 168,000 servicemen and women, assisted the elderly, and much more. More than 35 percent of Greater Cleveland receives services from United Torch. Also, more than 160 agencies benefit from the United Torch.

It is evident that United Torch is a blessing to thousands of people. This is why a donation by everyone is so urgently needed. With the federal government decreasing its financial aid to health and social service programs, United Torch will have to depend more heavily on voluntary contributions.

It is not asking too much of each Shaker student to donate just one dollar to the United Torch Drive. The drive will continue through October 30, so those who did not contribute in homeroom should do so now.

Portrait Prices Peeve People

by Hugh Weinberg

For several years, seniors at Shaker have been purchasing their senior portraits from a private studio in the Cleveland area that co-operates with the school and the GRISTMILL staff. This studio, however, charges very high prices for its services.

Although prices at most photography studios are never cheap these days, this particular studio takes advantage of Shaker students and their parents. Their "most popular offer" is one 8 x 10 photograph and six 5 x 7 photographs for the extremely high price of \$27.50. Residents of other neighborhoods often have mistakenly believed that most Shaker residents are wealthy. Perhaps those people in charge at the photo studio believe that \$27.50 is a small sum for someone from Shaker Heights to have to pay. The studio also might be charging such high prices under the false assumption that parents always pay for the students' portraits. Quite often, however, the student has to pay for his own photographs.

The policy that prevents the customer from buying the wallet-size pictures without also buying any of the larger sizes is another error made in the company's handling of business with the high school. Many times a student wishes to purchase only the wallet-size photos to give to friends. The studio, however, believes that selling only the smaller photographs will not make enough of a profit unless the student is forced to buy larger sizes as well.

This year there will be many dissatisfied students and parents who will feel that they did not receive their money's worth. If there is a studio which could give students a better rate for student pictures, Shaker should associate itself with this photographer for the benefit of seniors in the years to come.



Policemen Help More Than Hinder

by Joel Genuth

The increased use of off-duty policemen in our high school can best be deemed unfortunate. Surely everybody would agree that it would be ideal if nobody believed that a need for policemen existed. However, the School Board has seen fit to hire four policemen to patrol the school with no more than one policeman around on a given day. This is a decision which I accept with much irritation and misgiving, but accept nonetheless. For although I feel the School Board is on shaky philosophical grounds in hiring the policemen and that their hiring sets a poor and potentially dangerous precedent, the policemen have brought many tangible improvements.

The tangible improvements are not hard to find. Teachers have been alleviated from hall duty, a job which was understandably disliked. Teachers can now better spend their free time in education related activities rather than wasting the time wandering through the halls. At the time of the writing of this article, September 23, Mr. Zimmerman, Dean of Aldersyde House, has not received a single complaint of a locker being broken into. While statistics are not kept of how many locker break-ins there had been at this time last year, I dare say, based upon my own memory, that the number was higher than zero. This fact strongly suggests that the policemen have been effective. Finally, Mr. Zimmerman points out that Shaker Heights is bounded by the sixth district, the district with the highest crime rate in the city of Cleveland, and the Rapid Transit makes the high school extremely accessible to trespassers. These facts make the police hirings appear to be a sensible precaution against possible trouble from the outside, especially in view of problems outsiders have occasionally caused in past years.

Although I applaud and am grateful for these achievements, I find I greatly resent the presence of the policemen. The grounds for this resentment is simply that Shaker Heights High School is an institution devoted to teaching and learning and that the policemen in no way contribute to this process. They serve no purpose whatsoever in respect to education, and I therefore view them as alien intruders to the school. Consequently, I resent having to take orders from them, and, to make matters worse, they seem to be stuck with enforcing some rather ridiculous rules, especially concerning students reading or studying in the corridors.

It seems to me that the hiring of the policemen sets a dangerous

precedent in terms of the school board hiring people who are not involved in educational processes. In hiring the policemen, the School Board has trampled on the thin line which differentiates between enforcing the law or crime prevention, which is the business of the Police Department, and enforcing school rules or building supervision, which is the business of the School Board. The hired policemen do both. When they prevent loitering in the halls, they are enforcing a school rule. But when they are concerning themselves with crime in the sixth district spilling over into the high school area, they are enforcing the law. This may sound like splitting hairs, but remember that the School Board is paying the

policemen for their time. It would be a tremendous tragedy to pay somebody for doing what someone else is already doing. One need not look far to find a physical problem in the school which money could solve.

The policemen have made a success of the School Board decision to far. My resentment is not so strong that I would rather fear locker break-ins or never be able to have a conference with a teacher during mutual free time. However, the School Board should be careful in whom it hires and for what purpose. The more money spent on education and its directly related problems and the less money spent on non-educational necessities, the better this school system will be.

Class Officers Need Student Support

by Andre Craig

"They're just figure-heads with something to put on their records for college." This is the general feeling that most students have about their class officers. I must stress, however, how utterly wrong they are. Your class officers are much more than just figure-heads. The students, though, are not to be blamed for having this feeling. Because of very little or almost no communication between class officers and the students, students feel that class officers are students with a meaningless title, and the officers feel that the student body is apathetic.

This year, the junior class will attempt to communicate more with the student body. But before we can communicate with the students, I feel that we first must educate the student body on the job

of the class officers. The many projects that you see the class officers initiate are to raise funds. But this money does not go to the officers or to the school. This money goes back to the students in their senior year and is used to help finance the Senior Class Prom. If these projects are not supported by the class, it makes the financing of the prom very difficult and nearly impossible. The difficulty does not rest on the shoulders of the present officers; it rests on the shoulders of the class. For example, the less money raised by the class during the sophomore and junior years, the more money tickets for the prom will cost. As one can see now, class projects are literally class projects and are not intended to satisfy the conscience of the officers.

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Lynne Considers Brazil Intriguing

by Lynne Hambleton

As an A.F.S. foreign exchange student, I arrived in Brazil on June 23 for a stay of two and a half months. I lived in the state capital of Goiania which is located 200 kilometers (150 miles) southwest of Brasilia.

My father was the president of the Bidu Industry of Goiania, the equivalent of our Coca-Cola Company. My mother remained at home most of the time, and this is generally typical of most women in Goiania. She did very little housework as we had several servants; a seamstress, a laundress, a gardener, a cook, an upstairs maid, and a floor washer. My sisters, when they were not attending school, led a life similar to that of their mother. My oldest sister is 16 and will be married in December; she rarely goes out for her fiancée must approve anything she does.

I arrived in Brazil able to speak Spanish and was surprised to learn the differences between Portuguese and Spanish. I first began to realize this difference at the lunch table as we often sat for two hours. After my family stopped regarding me as a guest, I was free to walk into the city, and I acquired much of

my knowledge of Portuguese by talking with merchants in various shops.

Unfortunately, though no one's fault, social differences began to separate my family and myself. Rather than leaving on a harsh note, I decided it would be better for all concerned if I changed families.

When I arrived in the house of my second family, I encountered a completely different style of living. My new parents, five brothers and one sister involved me in their busy routine.

Every weekend we went serenading. I learned how to play capoeira, a folkloric fight involving only the feet. This game originated in 1888 as a means of liberating the Brasileiro slaves from the Portuguese. I attended college classes, visited museums, and actually became a part of the family.

My second family had much less money than my first family, but they were much more educated, in every aspect of the word. Through this experience, I overcame a language barrier, learned different values and meanings of the words "love" and "share," and mostly I learned more about myself.

Shaker Releases Tapes

by Robin Heller

Shaker students are encouraged to take advantage of the educational resources available to them in the school library. These resources include not only the books, magazines and college catalogues, but also tapes, records, slides and filmstrips in the Library Media Center.

Most curriculum subject areas are represented on the records and tapes, including some foreign languages. Among the new plays available on tape are "Who's Afraid of Virginia Woolf?" by Edward Albee, "To Be Young, Gifted and Black" by Lorraine Hansberry, and "Death of a Salesman" by Arthur Miller. The librarians welcome suggestions for new materials. Individuals and small groups may play library records and tapes themselves; however, there is a new collection of records which must be played at the main control panel. These master records are available for use in the classroom. When these are taped, students may play the tapes. The listening center of the library is open from 8:00 to 4:30, except during lunch hours, when the center is open only for assignments.

Films are generally used for classes rather than individuals and are requested by the teachers in advance. However, individuals may view films in the library when requested by a teacher, as in the case of independent study. Filmstrips, film loops and slides are available in the Library Media Center. The library has recently acquired a collection of 1000 art slides from the Cleveland Museum of Art. They are kept by the main desk in a new storage cabinet which has a capacity for 3000 slides. If the student knows how to set up a slide projector, he may do it himself. If not, the student should check with an aide at the desk, who will set up the equipment or instruct the student how to do so. Subject, author and title cards for Audio-Visual materials are in the card catalogue, and can be identified by a colored band across the top of the card.

Last year the library acquired a microform reader. Among the new materials on order are historic issues of the New York Times on microfilm, with the corresponding New York Times index.

The college view deck in the Miller room is an aide to students who are just beginning to look for colleges, with certain factors in mind. The view deck consists of a lighted screen in front of which cards are placed. The cards have holes punched in them, which correspond to factors about a college, such as cost, region, or majors offered. The student should go to the main desk for the cards, and details on how to operate the college view deck.

Multi-media materials are becoming increasingly important in education, as new materials are developed. We are fortunate at Shaker to have such materials available, and hope that students will take advantage of the opportunity to use them.

America Returns to the '60's

by Andrew Borowitz

With the current craze for popular music of the '50's and early '60's at its peak, it is a wonder that a film could be made about that era without many sentimental overtones. "American Graffiti," set in a small, northern Californian town during the summer of 1962, is such a film. Directed and acted with incredible expertise, "American Graffiti" may prove to be not only the most entertaining but also the most artistically successful film made this year.

The film begins to the tune of Bill Haley's "Rock Around the Clock," which coincidentally was the theme song of the film "Blackboard Jungle" (1955). The audience hears the soundtrack music through the car radios of the boys upon whom the film focuses: Steve (Ronny Howard, of Andy Griffith fame), class president; Curt (Richard Dreyfuss), who is reluctant to go to college when he graduates high school; Terry (Charlie Martin Smith) a braggart who asserts his masculinity by driving Steve's car; and John (Paul Le Mat), who is known as the greatest hotrod driver in the valley. These boys are followed by the camera from car to car during a long night of "cruisin'", which includes some hilarious and exciting incidents which reveal much about the emotions and attitudes of

young people growing up in the 1960's.

Most of the movie takes place in cars, where the resonant voice of disc jockey Wolfman Jack constantly bays, the film's pace is fast enough to keep the audience entertained. However, "American Graffiti" is not engaged in the tiresome satire of the '50's life style that plagued the Broadway musical "Grease." Instead, the humor of the era is captured in realistic situations which neither satirize nor glorify the '50's.

Little of the music in American Graffiti is from 1962. Director George Lucas realized that '50's rock was far more memorable than the Beach Boys harmonizing about "surfin'", and therefore chose music that probably wasn't played on the radio in 1962. It was a wise choice.

Lucas, 28, who also directed THX 1138 (1970) is perhaps the most ingenious young director in America today, and his tremendous visual sense is most evident in his latest film. However, since it is outside the realm of sentimentality, this film may not succeed at box office as such nostalgic hits as "Class of 44" or "Let the Good Times Roll" did. Regardless, "American Graffiti" should imprint a more lasting mark in film history than its title implies.



Hopscotchers Hurdle to Victory

by Peter Luton

Fear not, fans! The hopscotch season officially began Friday, September 21. This year, the varsity, interscholastic, coeducational hopscotch team, a very promising one indeed, started the season off correctly with a practice. The team believes strongly that it is better to hold several practices and some intrasquad games this year before the regular season begins; and besides, it has been unable to arrange any interscholastic matches for the moment. Shaker's arch, and only rival, Cleveland Heights High, has been a little slow in getting things hopping.

A word or more about the team: The team appears to be a powerful contender for the state title again this season. Last season, Shaker had an undefeated record (2-0),

whereas Heights went winless (0-2). Shaker's outstanding record and a lack of any other opponents won it the title. Most of the veterans are returning, and there is a horde of rookies. The new players, even though they lack the finesse and experience of the veterans, will complement the team greatly. The hopscotch team has a winning tradition which will not be reversed this season unless Heights gets much stronger.

The hopscotch league is still in its infancy and has a long way to go before it will be considered on a par with football and field hockey. Actually, hopscotch is a very athletic sport. Many people think that hopscotch is not strenuous and is just for sissies and girls. Oh, those poor misguided people! How far from correct they are! Hop-

scotch is a vigorous sport and demands discipline. Hopping on an official board, 9 squares, 1-3-square, with squares 4, 5 and 7, 8 next to each other - that is hopscotch lingo and if you do not understand, do not worry - is extremely difficult and requires all the finer skills of ballet and gymnastics. After a grueling match, only the best-trained players are not limping about for a day or so. Not even taking into consideration the mental and emotional stress with which a player must contend, hopscotch is the most difficult and demanding sport except "Go, Sheepie! Go!"

The varsity, interscholastic, coeducational hopscotch team would like to ask for your support and wishes everyone a Merry Holiday Season.

High School Forsees Financial Problems

by David Readman

When Mr. Kenneth Caldwell, Assistant Principal of the high school, looks at the present and future Shaker High School budgets it is with a certain amount of frustration. On one hand the high school is experiencing a drop in enrollment. This means that the tax dollar should be able to stretch much farther on school costs. With a present enrollment of only 1,716 students the school system should

be operating with excess ap-

propriations. The administration

attributes part of this decrease to

the end of the "baby boom."

But Mr. Caldwell along with

other Shaker School Board officials

such as Assistant Superintendent

of Shaker Schools Mr. Fred David

faces a series of problems that

could turn the school district's

budget into a grim quandary. As it

appears now the school board is in

for a rough time in the next few

years. The revenue for the Shaker

School Board has primarily been

raided through the city taxes.

However, when this capital-raising

technique falters, as it is doing in

many districts today, it eventually

affects the school board. The

school board must cut back and a

wiser expenditure of the tax dollar

is required. At the high school,

reductions were made in the

number of secretaries, custodians,

faculty, and equipment. The high

school also lost an assistant

principal who to date has not been

replaced. The Shaker Heights City

School District will be reduced by

\$400,000 because of a reduction in

assessed valuation for 1974. To

worsen this crisis, state financial

assistance to the school board has

been decreasing. The state of Ohio

supplements the Shaker School

System with 8 per cent to 9 per cent

of its total operating budget. All of

the Shaker Schools' capital ex-

penditures are running all of the

Shaker School District's schools amounts to eleven million dollars. About 28 per cent of this sum is distributed to the high school. Consequently, next year Shaker Heights High School will lose approximately \$112,000 in operating funds.

Because of the steady decline in student enrollment, any long range plans for expansion are virtually non-existent. Next year Shaker will undergo an examination by some 50 educators from outside the district. This visiting committee from the North Central Association of Colleges and Secondary School in co-operation with the faculty will make a study of programs at the high school. Today there are essentially three ways for the school board to obtain the needed capital. Let's face reality—after-school bake sales and Saturday afternoon car washes cannot compensate for school board costs. The stream of capital from city taxes, state and financial aid has run dry. One such means of meeting operational costs and beyond would be to submit an operating levy. This capital raising method has proved effective in the School Board's past history; so why not implement such a proposal again? But one thing is for sure, if revenue shortages continue, which already are being felt, quality education in the Shaker School District is going to be hurt.



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Mr. Everson serenades an enthralled choir.

Choir Plans New Projects

by Charles Barber

Mr. John E. Everson, the new Choral Director at Shaker Heights High School, brings with him many years of practical experience in Choral Education. He spent eight years as Choral Director at Orange High School, as well as ten years as a Tenor Soloist in the Cleveland area. Mr. Everson then taught for several years at Hillsdale College, in addition to leading some church choirs in various areas.

Mr. Everson sees music as one of the "primary activities in today's high school. It is an outlet that all students are capable of participating in, either in the band, orchestra, choir, or Music classes." Plans for this school year in the Music Department include a variety of programs and activities. A concert on November 30th will possibly feature a combined list of selections by the Orchestra and Choral groups. The traditional Holiday Assembly and Alumni Concert will be held December 11th and 20th, respectively. In the spring of next year, the Lake Erie League Festival will be on March

15 at Cleveland Heights High School. At this event, all the LEL School Choirs will present small works.

In May, there will be a Red and White Revue and Concert, and finally, the Choir will sing as usual on Senior Honors Day.

After teaching at both the high school and college levels, Mr. Everson has found High School music education to be the more challenging of the two. As far as improvements in the present music curriculum, Mr. Everson would like to see more students involved in the Choral groups. "The National percentage for involvement in High School Music is about 10 per cent. Compared to that, the Shaker High percentage is very low. Hopefully, with more diverse offerings this will be accomplished."

With such a wide variety of activities, it certainly looks like the Choral Program is off to a rousing start, with hopes for an even better year, under the fine direction of Mr. John Everson.

Seniors Play "Admissions Impossible"

by Shelly Kleinman

Before graduation a great percentage of seniors will participate in the Contemporary America mini-course, Simulation Games, when for nine weeks they will role play problematic situations in American society. For those seniors who will not enter into this unique experience, the following article describes a game which can be played independently.

The name of the game is Admissions Impossible. Eligibility for participation is restricted to seniors only, and to those juniors graduating in June. The four objectives of the game include choosing no less than one and no more than four colleges to which to apply, taking at least one college entrance examination, obtaining an interview at the college to which has been chosen, and filling out the application form. Playing time begins anytime after September 5 and extends until February 15. In addition an optional preparation period usually commences in the middle of the junior year, and a waiting period continues until April 15 when the results are revealed. Each player starts with \$100.00 and a marker.

In accomplishing the first objective one must utilize the Decision Wheel. He must spin the uppermost disc on the wheel to discover whether he chooses a state or a private institution. The second disc determines the location of his choice — New England, the Southeast, the Midwest, the Southwest, the West Coast, the Plains States, or even a Canadian university. The third turn and another spin of the Decision Wheel determines the one or more activities until they reach the end of the lane.

If a player, after venturing down Activity Lane still lacks confidence

enough for an interview, he may again forfeit up to three turns to select cards from the Recommendation, radical aid. An additional marker and \$10.00 will be obtained for every additional college applied to. Markers are placed on the space adjacent to the name of the chosen colleges.

Players find SAT, ACT, and Achievement Test Cards in the center of the board. They have the option of taking one, two, or three of these testing cards. Each card costs \$6.50. The cards have scores ranging from 350-800. If a player's score does not satisfy him he can forfeit his turn and pick another card. One can continue this procedure indefinitely, but Early Decision will be granted only to those players who complete the game in twelve moves or less. Each supplementary card from the same pile costs an additional \$6.50 plus a \$3.50 late fee. One has the third option to return to Go and spin for new schools.

To succeed in carrying through with the third objective one marker is placed on the space marked Activity Lane. Activity Lane consists of several buildings which provide players with the necessary activities to impress interviewers. These include Student Council Place, Booster Building, Choir Auditorium, and Intramural Stadium. The players roll a die and proceed to land on climate. Finally, after a roll of the dice it is decided whether or not one's school should be coeducational. An even roll decrees a coed college. With these four factors determined, players consult various handbooks to choose from one to four schools to apply to. "The College Handbook" provides a traditional outlook, however, "The Insider's Guide to Colleges" seems to be the new

Garfunkel Sweet Without Simon

by Steffi Stone

There are many more solo-singing artists in the folk-rock field today than there were five or ten years ago. This is probably attributed to the fact that so many groups have broken up and the individual artists have gone off on their own to record, occurring with such groups as the Beatles, Crosby, Stills, Nash and Young, Peter, Paul and Mary, and most recently with Simon and Garfunkel. Paul Simon has been quite successful with his two solo albums entitled, *Paul Simon* and *There Goes Rhymin' Simon*. It is now time for Mr. Simon to step aside and make room for his former colleague, Art Garfunkel, whose new album *Angel Clare*, has just been released by Columbia Records.

Garfunkel has never been known as a writer, which is one reason why Paul Simon received much of the attention when they sang together. Garfunkel contributed the harmony to many of the songs that the two of them sang, such as "Bridge Over Troubled Water", "April Come She Will", and "Scarborough Fair", to name a few. His mellow, tenor voice always comes through sweet-sounding and clear, just as it does in *Angel Clare*, an album that lends itself to most pleasant listening.

Many of the tunes on *Angel Clare*, such as "Traveling Boy", "All I Know", and "Another Lullaby", resemble the "Bridge Over Troubled Water" accompaniment and in the crescendo finales. Garfunkel performs a Calypso-style tune called "I Shall Sing", by Van Morrison, excellently making it one of the more lively songs on the album.

Probably one of my favorite songs is a tune called "Old Man", by singer-composer Randy Newman. (Just to put in a plug for Mr. Newman, he's probably one of the finest, most original lyricists. He composed and sings such songs as "Mama Told Me Not to Come" and "Burn On", a rather satirical song about our fine city of Cleveland.) Garfunkel performs "Old Man" with such emotion and tenderness, missing from Newman's performance of the song. Along with a children's choir, Garfunkel keeps the listener entertained with an enjoyable tune entitled "Woyaya". The voices of the children and Garfunkel blend beautifully, both in harmony and independently.

The first side of the album closed with a song written by Johann Sebastian Bach with lyrics by Linda Grossman with the catchy title "Do Spacemen Pass Dead Souls on their Way to the Moon?"

Paul Simon is among the musicians who play backup on the album, not to mention another talented artist, Jerry Garcia, of the Grateful Dead rock group.

Simon and Garfunkel achieved great heights in the folk-rock world, heights which can never be reached by them as individuals. Yet if you enjoyed Simon and Garfunkel as a duet, you'll undoubtedly enjoy half of their sound through the smooth, complacent listening of *Angel Clare*.

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With the game half completed, players move their markers to the space marked "The Interview." Colleges are looking for the exceptional student and one manner to prove one's uniqueness is by obtaining an interview. If one has spent much money on testing, it is wise to ask for parental accompaniment, i.e., one should ask one's parents to take him. This method produces a single detrimental factor — antagonizing parents. On the other hand, traveling with friends marks the best method for obtaining an interview; however, this way becomes quite expensive. Teenagers tend to stay in cheaper hotels, but spend exclusively on entertainment and side interests.

The final requirement of Admissions Impossible consists of filling out the application form by making the right choices throughout the game, one hopes to be able to fill in good SATS, ACTS, and Achievement scores; a variety of activities; and send good recommendations.

At last, on April 15, each player chooses a yellow admission's card, found adjacent to his marker's space. If the card is marked "ACCEPTED" one wins. If not, one returns to go and starts anew. Good luck!

Fantasy Writer Tolkien Dies

by David Brenkus

John Ronald Reuel Tolkien, the 81-year-old creator of the heralded "The Lord of the Rings" trilogy died September 7, 1973, a great loss to his many admirers. He was born in Bloemfontein, South Africa, on January 3, 1892, the son of missionaries to Zanzibar. After the death of his father he returned to his parents' native land, England.

Tolkien was said to be a gentle man who wore tweeds, smoked a pipe, took walks, and rode an old bicycle when he found the time. He was a highly educated man who studied at several fine universities. His list of credentials is long and impressive.

His most widely acclaimed work, the 500,000 word "The Lord of the Rings" comprised a 20-year effort which not only revealed his far-ranging knowledge of many scientific fields, but also captured the imagination of an entire generation. Tolkien created the fantastic world of Middle-Earth, populated by dwarfs, elves, ents, orcs, men and, of course, hobbits.

The story is about the great war which ushered in the domination of man. The all powerful ring, forged in the evil land, is sought after by Sauron, the dark master of Mordor and his hordes of minions. The magic ring had fallen into the possession of the hobbits who realized that the only chance for peace lies in the destruction of the ring, and thus its evil power. Frodo, a hobbit, set out to destroy the ring in the only way possible, by casting it back into the volcanic fires from whence it came. This heroic epic tells of the ringbearers' perilous journey from the "Shire" and of the cataclysmic confrontation of the forces of good and evil.

Tolkien's masterpiece inspired the growth of numerous fan clubs across the United States, like the Tolkien Society of America. The Shaker faction held a birthday party for Frodo and Bilbo, the two hobbit heroes, on Friday, September 21 during 12 and 13 periods in Room 100. The guests partook of a traditional hobbit food, seedcake, baked by Lynn Enterline, and heard music of Middle-Earth.

SHAKER'S GRID SEASON OPENS SLOWLY

by Richard Sax

The Shaker Varsity football team this year has fluctuated with the weather: They have been good, bad, and indifferent. The team is sprinkled with various and sundry athletes who have combined in a rather disconcerting team effort. Despite their failure to register victories, the fightin' Red Raiders have given the fans an extraordinary showing.

In the season opener at venerable Russell Rupp Field, Shaker played a lackadaisical game in losing to Byzantine, 20-7. The Red Raiders did not score until the waning moments of the game. As defensive tackle Calvin Moore sagaciously said, "We lost."

A week later, the topheavy Brush Arcs invaded our beautiful stadium. Putting seven points on

the board in the first 26 seconds of the game, it looked like a long afternoon for the home team. But behind the superlative efforts of defensive stalwarts Cliff Hershman and Quentin Lowry, the heavier Brush team was shutout for the remainder of the game. Meanwhile, the offense sputtered until late in the second quarter. Quarterback Bill Brinker connected to tight end Jon "Crazy Legs" Keller and the latter deftly feinted his way to a 76-yard touchdown romp. A try for the two-point conversion failed, and the score stood at 7-6. In the second half, both teams were deadlocked and there was no scoring. After the game defensive tackle Brian Sulzer was heard to say, "Once is not enough." We assume he was

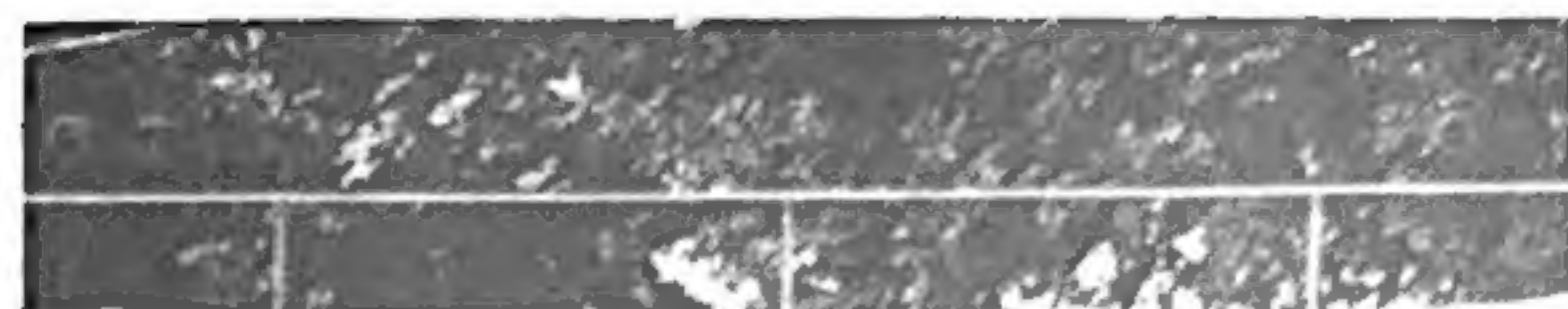
talking about the number of touchdowns scored.

When Coach Al Raymond took his team to Lakewood on the following Friday night it was evident that if the team was to jell the time would be now. The players were up for the game and it was obvious that the ultimate in athletic skill and expertise would be expended against the highly favored Lakewood team which had trounced Shaw 41-0 the previous week. Center Steve Chesler said before the game, "I have more faith in this Shaker team than any other in at least a millennium."

But, despite a valiant try by Shaker, the Red Raiders ended up on the short end of a 21-12 decision. It was a good showing for the team against the highly touted, league-leading Rangers.

Lakewood put across a touchdown on a 23-yard scoring play in the second quarter. The score stood at 7-0 at the half. Early in the third quarter, Lakewood drove to another touchdown and Shaker returned with Randy Garrett's touchdown run from the one. The quarter ended with Lakewood ahead 14-6, as Shaker was having bad luck with their two-point conversion tries, missing both times. The teams exchanged touchdowns in the final period. Shaker's coming on a one-yard jaunt by James Garrett.

It is hard to say whether the football team has begun to jell as yet. At times, they have looked extremely good; yet, they have also looked inexcusably bad. As defensive end Cliff Hershman said, "The fans must not lose faith in the team. We have not yet begun to fight."



Doug Conforti attempts to elude a Brush defender.

WORLD SERIES OUTLOOK: REDS WILL DEFEAT A'S

by Fred Levine

As the baseball season nears its grand finale, the World Series, I am going to put myself out on a limb and make my fearless predictions as to who will emerge as champions of baseball in this, the 1973 season.

With less than one week left in the season, the big question is who will win the National League's Eastern division. Five teams still have a shot at the division crown, and picking a winner is like picking a name out of a hat. My choice for the Eastern division is the Pittsburgh Pirates. They should hang on to just edge out the New York Mets. Even if the Pirates don't win that division, whoever does should be handled easily in the National League playoffs by the Western Division winner, the Cincinnati Reds. Therefore, Cincinnati will represent the National League in

the World Series.

The American League playoffs will find the Eastern division champion Baltimore Orioles facing the Western division champs and 1972 World Series winner the Oakland A's. On the basis of their stronger pitching, I see the A's beating the O's, in what should be a fantastic playoff.

My pick for the World Series champion - THE CINCINNATI REDS. They seem to be a slightly better all-around team than the A's. Both teams have fine trios of starting pitchers. The A's boast three 20-game winners in Jim "Catfish" Hunter, Ken Holtzman, and Vida Blue. The Reds counter with the unheralded threesome of Jack Billingham, Don Gullett, and Freddie Norman. The former two Reds just missed 20-game seasons, while the latter did a superb job since coming in mid-season from San Diego. Both teams have good bullpens with the A's probably having the slight edge in this department. I feel the difference in the Series will be in the hitting department. The Reds boast league-leading hitter Pete Rose, Johnny Bench, Tony Perez, Joe Morgan, and rookie sensation Dan Driessen. I don't feel the A's hitting is as strong. Beyond the league's top home run and RBI man, Reggie Jackson, who has been hobbled by a leg injury, Sal Bando, and maybe Bill North the A's hitting is lacking. Their leading hitter of last year, Joe Rudi, is not having a good year. So, on the basis of their stronger hitters I see the Cincinnati Reds avenging their loss to The Oakland A's in the 1972 World Series by defeating them this year in the 1973 series.

FROM THE PRESS BOX

by Jeff Glass, Sports Editor

Soccer Woos Spectators

It's very rare these days that anybody takes high school sports seriously. Yes, football still draws its usual Saturday crowds, and basketball occasionally fills Shaker's pint-size arena, but for the most part, high school athletics remain virtually a player-parent concern.

There is one sport, however, that is blossoming into a major viewing attraction here at Shaker. It is Europe's most popular sport: soccer. Soccer has been played at Shaker for some eight years now, but only in the past two has the student populace begun to show some interest in it.



Glass

What is drawing Shaker's apathetic masses to the netted field? What made some 75 loyal enthusiasts brave torrential rain and stand faithfully by their booters at Rocky River two weeks ago? It certainly can not be the Raiders' won-loss record. The team has won one contest in the last four outings.

The only answer I can give is that soccer with its moving, informal play has given Shaker fans a new sport to support. Especially for the little ladies who throng to the field in droves, to catch a glimpse of the team in action.

The soccer field for years has been the lassoing ground for eligible beaux, still ranking high among social-mongers as the "place to be after school". But, the tide is changing. Interest in soccer has become more serious and it is not uncommon to hear a girl nonchalantly answer a friend, "L.J. Daniels? Yes, plays center fullback, sometimes center-half when they play out of the diamond formation."

As for the Raiders' dismal record so far this year, the key deterrent remains the team's lack of depth in crucial positions. This is further aggravated by a rash of injuries. This infective plague just recently added leading scorer Steve Hope, fullback L.J. Daniels and goalie Steve Dalton to an already long list of casualties.

Several factors account for the dramatic rise in attendance at games. First, the fans have begun to anticipate and savor each player's particular style of play: the fearless collisions of David Readerman, the bashing heads of Mark Pogue, the lumbering-like moves of Randy Brodsky and the spirited cry of afore-mentioned Hope. Also, there are no restricted admission fees such as make football and basketball games costly events.

It is unfortunate that soccer games must be played at Lomond Elementary School and that the administration does not deem it necessary to provide goal cages on any of Shaker's fields. I am confident though that, with the rising interest in soccer, these difficulties can be overcome in the near future.

A couple of notes on the football team. Defensive end Cliff Hershman and place-kicker Richard Rosenberg have appointed themselves co-chairmen of the football team's Maureen McCormick fan club. Maureen is the luscious blonde who stars weekly on ABC's Brady Bunch. The infatuated duo plan to invite Miss McCormick to the senior prom. Rosenberg remarked eagerly, "She can throw a block for me anytime."

Shaker's football team could very well be nominated for an Academy Award this spring. The gridders are currently starring in a Cornsweet production of "Return to Campus". The film is expected to open in Cleveland in a couple of months.

Harriers Drop First Three Netters Win Four Matches

by Jamie Kiggen and Steve Wertheim

Despite being impressive in an exhibition against University School at the beginning of the season, Shaker's runners have lost three straight LEL meets. On Sept. 12, the Raider runners faced Parma at Forest Hills Park. Parma's experienced team, favored to be LEL champs this year, was just too strong for Shaker's small squad to handle. On Sept. 20, Shaker again travelled to Forest Hills to complete against Cleveland Hts. and Valley Forge. Although the scores were much closer than against Parma, the Raiders could not overcome minor injuries and ailments to pull out a win. The team still has many tough tests before sectionals on Oct. 20. If the Raiders can put everything together before then, the team should still improve on last year's record and also be strong at the invitational meets and the league championship coming up.

The undefeated Shaker Tennis team got off to a quick start this fall as it head for a September 25 showdown with also undefeated Cleveland Heights. The Red Raiders overcame the Tigers with the great depth they

have shown through this point of the season. Shaker opened its season on Parent's Day, September 8, by crushing Solon, 5-0. Junior Gary Cohen and seniors Steve Wertheim and Sue Tobin won at the singles positions for Shaker, while seniors Mike Daniels and Bill Grodin, at first doubles, and seniors Jon Shane and Zak Green, at second doubles, won the other two matches for Shaker.

The Red Raiders opened their LEL season against Brush with a 4-1 victory. Senior Cary Goldstein and sophomore Rob Edelstein won at the singles positions, while Wertheim and Daniels won at first doubles and Green and Sophomore Bruce McCallister won at second doubles. Shaker continued with 4-1 victories over Lakewood and Valley Forge. Sophomore Mike Vernon and junior Fernando Edelstein played and won in both of these matches. Shaker then got a default against Shaw to up their record to 5-0.

The key match with Heights should decide the championship. Shaker has the home court advantage, which could be the difference.

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Soccer Spirits High; Hoping For Improvement

by Jim Hansell

Although the Shaker Varsity Soccer team has a disappointing 1-3 record to date, soccer fans should have plenty to cheer about in the next few weeks. The team has been steadily improving since coming off a mediocre (3-2) exhibition season and the worst of the incredible plethora of preseason injuries appears to be over, along with the most difficult part of the schedule.

The Booters began the season on 3-0. Shaker could not generate any offensive threats during the game and the defense was unable to contain Brecksville's high scoring forwards. This was a particularly heartbreaking loss, as it was a division game, and in all probability it determined the champion of our Central Division.

Highly regarded Chagrin Falls was next on the list, a team which many knowledgeable fans felt had an excellent chance for the state championship. Apparently, the thought of being an underdog fired Shaker up, and they exhibited a well disciplined short passing game in the first half, taking a 1-0 lead into the dressing room, courtesy of Scott Miller's first quarter goal. Through the third quarter it appeared that one goal might be sufficient, but with five minutes left in the fourth quarter Chagrin tied the score, sending the game into overtime. Although Shaker had dominated most of the regulation game, the Tigers began to come on strong in the overtime, and finally won 3-1, scoring the winning goal on a penalty shot. Though disappointed, the Shaker troopers hold their heads high, knowing they had done their best.

Doing well, however, is no

substitute for winning. Thus, Shaker exploded against Eastlake North for a satisfying first win, 7-2. With the Eastlake team offering little resistance, six players scored, including Steve Hope and Mark Pogue with two points apiece, and Scott Miller, L.J. Daniels, Larry Fernberg, and Dan Straffon each adding one goal. Although the players realized that the Eastlake team had been little more than an obstacle course, hearty grins were sported throughout the bus ride home, in hope that the victory would get the team rolling. "Boy, they were tough," beamed co-captain Scott Miller, buttering his words with a thick spread of sarcasm. The happy team, with a victory under its belt, roared approval.

Unfortunately, not all the teams in the league are of the caliber of Eastlake North, as the booters discovered against Rocky River. Shaker got off to a fast start when Jim Hansell scored off a beautiful corner kick from Ed Algeo with less than one minute gone in the game. Rocky River, one of the best teams in the area, fought back and took a 2-1 lead at the half. Though they fought hard, Shakers' men could not pollute Rivers' fast, aggressive team, but did add one more tally on a penalty shot by Steve Hope. However, River had solved Shaker's defense twice more, enabling them to win 4-2.

Having played respectably against some of the best teams in the city, hopes are high that the team will rebound and win a majority of the rest of their games. There is no question that the talent exists, only a question of whether it can be put together into a winning team.



L.J. Daniels and his beard dribble for open spaces.

SPORTS INTERVIEW PROFILE OF A STAR: MS. SUE TOBIN

by Mark Pogue

Eyes popped on the Onaway tennis courts this autumn as something new strode boldly through the gate, racquet in hand. "Why, i-i-it's a girl! A girl out for varsity tennis!" piped one lad. "Bah," sneered another, "send her back to the jacks team. Tennis takes strength and stamina - it's a man's game! No worry here, boys, she'll never make it!"

But Sue Tobin has made it. Every day now, in spite of a badly sprained ankle, she returns to the courts to practice with the heretofore all-male varsity tennis team, and as she does so, crusty oldtimers shake their heads in wonderment at our changing times. Happily, Sue's presence on the team does not indicate a patronizing gesture of female tokenism on the part of tennis coach Mr. Ned Martin; the fact is that she is one of the best players in Shaker High (in a recent Shaker-Solon match, she defeated her male opponent 6-3, 6-0 while playing in the third singles slot).

Let's have a talk with this Shaker Star as she takes a time-out to catch her breath.

Shakerite
First, Sue, the obvious question: What made you decide to go out for the boys' tennis team? Rumor has it that since childhood, you have possessed a deep psychological desire to dominate males.

Tobin
No, that's not exactly correct. I went out for the team just because I love to play the game so much, and felt that I could play on a level with the boys.

Shakerite
You mean there were not even any women's liberation motives involved?

Tobin
That's right, although I am glad that Billie Jean beat that man Riggs the other night.

Shakerite
How did the boys on the team react to the idea of having a girl playing with them? Did they hoot and holler?

Tobin
No, actually they were quite sweet and understanding. I got a

few funny looks from some of the sophomores and juniors, but there was never any problem. I think the boy from Solon I played, though, really was a little flustered; he was dinking some real easy shots into the net.

Shakerite
What's the story on that sprained ankle of yours?

Tobin
It happened in practice - I was going for a backhand, and gracefully put all my weight on the outside edge of one foot. This cast will probably keep me out of action for at least two more weeks, but I'm able to practice serving with it on.

Shakerite
Has the tennis world ever discriminated against you?

Tobin
In a way. This summer, I applied for a job as a court attendant, but the Shaker Recreation Board rejected me, saying that the job wasn't "fit for a girl." They didn't think I'd have the guts needed to kick people off the courts.

Shakerite
Just one more question, Sue. Does your love of tennis ever become evident in your day-to-day life?

Tobin
Well, my gym teachers say that in field hockey I hit the puck as if it were a tennis ball. In volleyball, I sometimes hit the ball sidearm, as if stroking with a racquet. A friend once told me that I read books as if I were playing tennis, though I don't see how this is possible and now, if you'll excuse me, I must depart.

And so the varsity tennis team's first female player left for the courts to hit some serves, a girl who has not allowed a cast or any other obstacles to hold her back.

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Girls Looking Toward Second No-Loss Season

by Amy Freed

Field hockey time is here in the girls' Physical Education Department. Again this year there are three teams: sophomore, junior and senior varsities whose coaches, respectively, are Miss Dorothy Hill, Mrs. Susan Huling, Miss Linda Betley and Miss Mary Ellen Leuty.

The season opener was Wednesday, October 3. The J.V. and varsity teams challenged Laurel School on our home field. Making its debut on the Shaker schedule this year is Western Reserve Academy, recently gone co-ed. An exciting asset to this year's season will be games on Saturday, October 27, against Laurel and a team from Buffalo, New York.

Something else added this year were two coached clinics. A visiting English coach came to Shaker on September 25. On September 29, enthusiastic seniors went to Laurel to participate in another special clinic. These should be beneficial to all the players.

There are eight games to play this year. The games not yet mentioned include Euclid (away on Oct. 30), Mentor (Oct. 16, also away), Cleveland Heights (Oct. 23, Home!) and Hudson (Oct. 30, away).

About nineteen of the twenty-four girls on varsity this year are returning from last year's undefeated and unscored-on J.V. team. They, along with their coaches, are hoping for a season equally as successful as 1972.

All four coaches hope for a winning year. Practicing three days a week, the players are being formed into organized teams.

Everyone is welcome to the games. The home matches are played on the front field and are free to all fans. Team members, as well as coaches, would appreciate the support of Shaker students and teachers through attendance at the games.

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I started my season prediction record on a good note, with eight correct picks and four incorrect ones. My Detroit Lions didn't come through on the upset special, and who would have ever picked the Broncos over the Bengals? In any case, get that money roll out as here I go again.

HOME TEAM IN CAPS

CLEVELAND over Cincinnati by three. Neither team has looked terribly impressive but the Browns have that home field advantage.

NEW ENGLAND over Baltimore by two. Jim Plunkett's experience will reign supreme in this battle of non-contenders.

Miami over **NEW YORK JETS** by sixteen. The Namath-less Jets can try as hard as they can, but they will simply be no match for the powerful Dolphins.

BUFFALO over Philadelphia by six. The hapless Eagle defense will not be able to contain O.J.

Los Angeles over **HOUSTON** by ten. You've got to score to win, and the Oilers have had a hard time scoring or winning. Look for the Rams to dominate a high scoring contest.

PITTSBURGH over San Diego by twenty-three. The only thing

that the Chargers can look forward to in this one is the plane ride back to California.

Denver over **KANSAS CITY** by two. Floyd (Mr. Big) Little and the rest of the Broncos will give the aging Chiefs fits. **(UPSET SPECIAL)**

Oakland over **ST. LOUIS** by eleven. The Raiders are definitely the team to beat this year and the unpredictable Cards are not about to stop them.

NEW YORK GIANTS over Green Bay by five. Ron Johnson will be the difference in one of the week's top games.

Chicago over **NEW ORLEANS** by thirteen. Bobby Douglas should have a barrel of fun scrambling through the inept Saint Defense. **Minnesota** over **DETROIT** by seven. The Lions have not beaten the Vikes since 1969. I cannot see Detroit breaking the hex in this one.

San Francisco at **ATLANTA**: Pick 'em.

Monday Night Game

WASHINGTON over Dallas by three. For some reason, Dandy Don Meredith always seems to jinx his Cowboys when they are on the Monday night slot.

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